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Thanksgiving Weekend Special Events at the Oregon Trail Interpretive Center

Thanksgiving Day, November 23 and will be extra special this year with the 1st ever, only one anywhere <u>Wagons Ho! Film Festival</u>. Throughout the day, in the Leo Adler Theater, a genre of films on the Great Westward Migration will be shown. There will be a representative film from the silent movie era, several films featuring some of our favorite western movie stars, and even a cartoon! Through the efforts of Trail Tenders, Inc., the Interpretive Center will be transformed with seasonal greenery and holiday finery. Admission is FREE at the Center for the entire month of November 2000 and through Sunday, December3 and the hours are 9AM to 4PM. The film schedule is:

9:30 AM	The Paleface, 1921, this is a silent short film starring Buster Keaton, 20 minutes.
10:00 AM	Westward the Women, 1951, story by Frank Capra, Robert Taylor stars, 118
	minutes.
12:15 AM	How Bugs Bunny Won the West, fun for the whole family, 24 minutes.
1:00 P.M.	The Big Trail, 1930, John Wayne, age 23 in his 1st major role, 110 minutes.
3:10 P.M.	Wagon Train, An episode from the classic black & white television series, 55
	minutes.

While your Thanksgiving feast is being prepared, send the "wagons ho!" up to the Oregon Trail Interpretive Center for classic family fun!

The rest of the Thanksgiving weekend is also promising. On Friday, November 24 at 10:00 AM and 1:00 PM, a video about the sad story of <u>The Donner Party</u> will be shown. At 11:30 AM, BLM Interpretive Specialist, Nancy Harms will present <u>Dutch Oven Cooking</u>, where you can learn about this versatile and necessary tool of the Oregon Trail. On Saturday, Nancy Harms will blend a slide show with living history to present <u>Spinnin' Wheels to Wagon Wheels</u>, portraying the hardships and joys of three Oregon Trail women. On Sunday at 9:30 AM the video, <u>Lewis and Clark</u> will be shown. At 1:30 PM, Joyce Badgely Hunsaker will portray <u>Sacajawea</u>, based on oral tradition and the Lewis and Clark Journals.

The National Historic Oregon Trail Interpretive Center is located about 5 miles east of Baker City on Highway 86. For more information, call (541) 523-1845.